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| In re Application of                     | : |                            |
| Hayes-Roth, Frederick                    | : | DECISION GRANTING PETITION |
| Application No. 10/678,607               | : |                            |
| Filed: October 3, 2003                   | : |                            |
| Attorney Docket Number: FHR-102          | : |                            |
| Title of Invention: OPEN COMMUNITY MODEL | : |                            |
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| ENVIRONMENTS                             | : |                            |

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.10 (c) filed on September 7, 2004, requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of October 3, 2003, rather than the presently accorded filing date of October 6, 2003.

Petitioner contends the application was deposited in Express Mail service on October 3, 2003. In support, petitioner supplied a copy of Express Mail receipt No. ER512364267US (the same Express Mail number found on the itemized transmittal sheet accompanying the original application papers located in the official file) showing a United States Postal Service official postmark dated October 3, 2003.

In view of the above, the petition is Granted. No petition fee is required and none has been charged.

The application is being forwarded to Office of Initial Patent Examination for correction of the filing date to OCTOBER 3, 2003 and issuance of a corrected Filing Receipt.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

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